

Municipal Building, Lodi, California, Jan. 5, 1914.

In regular session of the Board of Trustees of the City of Lodi, the following trustees being present: C.A. Black, J.M. Blodgett, G.E. Lawrence and C.A. Rich. Absent: Trustee F.C. Hale. President Lawrence presiding.

The minutes of the meeting of Dec. 22, 1913, were read and approved.

A communication from League on the matter of "Workmen's Compensation Insurance" was read and, on motion of Black, seconded by Blodgett, the clerk was instructed to send a statement of our payroll to Industrial Accident Commission and make formal application for State Insurance.

The matter of surrendering our control over public utility companies to the State Railroad Commission was referred to Committee of the Whole.

A letter from F.J. Beaty on the matter of sidewalks and poles on the sidewalk space was read and referred to Street Committee.

A communication from Supt. Henning on the matter of furnishing water to people on Vine Street outside the city was read, and Supt. Henning instructed to inform the applicants that the city had no excess of water and that the Board would soon adopt a policy of furnishing no water outside the city.

A communication from New Amsterdam Casualty Company, enclosing a "Workmen's Compensation" Policy to cover the city until May 1, 1914, was read and filed.

A communication from Supt. Henning in regard to rate for power for Mason Bros. was read, and, on motion of Black, the question of fixing the rate was left in the hands of Supt. Henning.

A letter was read from Supt. Henning, stating that foreman Davis desired a raise of wages from \$3 per day to \$3.50 and an increase from \$10. to \$15. per month for use of horse and wagon. On motion of Black, seconded by Blodgett, it was ordered that Paul Davis be allowed \$3.50 per day wages and \$15.00 per month for use of horse commencing Jan. 1, 1914.

The report of City Marshal Coleman and of City Plumbing Inspector Henning for the month of December, 1913, was read and filed.

A report from City Engineer Barzellotti covering the period from Sep. 1st. to Dec. 31st., and containing many valuable suggestions, was read and filed.

The application of H. Shultz for permission to erect a garage on lot 10 block 5, E. Lodi, was read and granted.

The resignation of Richard Squire as Poundmaster was read, on motion of Rich, accepted.

D.B. Doepke suggested that the septic tank be fenced and stock pastured to keep down the weeds. Suggestion not approved. He asked that a four gallon can for distillate be purchased. Instructed to get a requisition from Finance Committee for same.

Messrs. Holt and Montgomery of the Merchants' Association appeared before the Board soliciting financial aid from the City again this year in a campaign of advertising to be conducted this year. Committee did not know just what line of advertising would be followed this year. President Lawrence suggested that the Board would need to know how the money would be expended, and that it would be well for the Association to formulate a plan, and then come to the Board for an appropriation for some specific purpose.

Rich suggested that a light be placed at the corner of Spruce and Sacramento Streets, and Black suggested that one be placed on S. School Street about six feet this side of the City limits. On motion of Rich, the Supt. was instructed to have street lights placed at the above points.

Various claims against the City, amounting to \$5161.12, having been approved by the Finance Committee, were allowed and ordered paid.

The Board adjourned.

Attest:

J. M. Blodgett
City Clerk.